



Tennessee Crop Weather

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DRIER CONDITIONS INCREASE FIELD ACTIVITIES

Last week, farmers in Fayette County were busy harvesting all crops until a rain event occurred the later part of the week. Some wheat was planted. Yields looked positive. In Middle Tennessee, corn and soybean harvest continued. Some producers had completed corn harvest with above average yields. Lime applications were being made where soil conditions allow field access. Wheat planting has picked up in intensity this week. Cotton was opening with harvest having begun in some areas. In East Tennessee, heavy rain slowed harvest of corn and delayed soybean harvest. A small portion of tobacco still needs to be harvested. Good soil moisture and warm temperatures have allowed pasture to remain very good. Producers were also actively preparing land for wheat seeding. There were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 3 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2020	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Corn – Mature	100	99	100	100	Pasture	1	5	26	54	14
Corn – Harvested	78	67	82	91	Cotton	1	10	20	63	6
Cotton – Bolls Opening	85	75	94	97	Corn	0	2	16	59	23
Cotton - Harvested	15	2	30	44	Soybeans	0	3	16	64	17
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	87	77	88	92						
Soybeans – Harvested	31	22	40	50						
Tobacco – Cut	96	94	N/A	N/A						
Winter Wheat – Planted	37	22	39	35						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	21	13	20	13						